## **HOUSE BILL 403**

## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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By: Montgomery County Delegation Introduced and read first time: January 28, 2002 Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters Committee Report: Favorable House action: Adopted Read second time: March 5, 2002 CHAPTER 589 1 AN ACT concerning 2 **Montgomery County - Eminent Domain - Licensed and Certified Real Estate** 3 Appraisers 4 MC 202-02 5 FOR the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution to authorize the Montgomery County Council to appoint a licensed and certified real estate 6 appraiser to estimate the fair market value of property situated in the county 7 8 subject to immediate taking under existing law; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or 9 10 rejection. 11 BY proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Maryland 12 Article III - Legislative Department 13 Section 40A 14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 15 MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses 16 concurring), That it be proposed that the Constitution of Maryland read as follows: 17 Article III - Legislative Department

18 40A.

- 19 The General Assembly shall enact no law authorizing private property to be
- 20 taken for public use without just compensation, to be agreed upon between the
- 21 parties, or awarded by a jury, being first paid or tendered to the party entitled to such
- 22 compensation, but where such property is situated in Baltimore City and is desired by